

FLOATED ON WRECKED BRIDGE.**Contractor Balentine and Three Colored Workmen Fall With Bridge Span.**

As the result of the scaffolding giving way, the middle span of the new bridge being built across Saluda river at the old Rasor bridge site, was dislodged and carried down into the swollen river, one afternoon last week, together with Contractor David F. Balentine and three colored workmen. Mr. Balentine managed to cling onto the raft, and after floating about two miles succeeded in getting to the shore; over the protest of Mr. Balentine Tom Bailey, colored, after staying on the raft for half a mile, jumped into the water and attempted to swim ashore but he quickly sank and was drowned. The other two escaped by swimming out immediately after the crash came.

Beyond shock and exhaustion, Mr. Balentine did not suffer any special injury, and on Monday of this week he was in the city on his way from Spartanburg where he has been spending the time since the accident with his family.

The collapse was caused by the main supports of the scaffolding being undermined by a seven foot rise of the river, and the crash occurred just as the men were preparing to stop work for the night. Mr. Balentine and his men were on the middle span at the time, the cords having just been placed and a temporary platform made for the workmen and material, and of course they went down with the whole thing. The loss to Mr. Balentine is considerable, but he expects to complete the job as early as practicable.

AT SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH.**Semi-Annual Election of Philathea Officers Was Held Sunday.**

The Philathea class, of the Second Baptist Sunday School, on last Sunday had their regular Semi-Annual reorganization, the following officers being elected for the next six months:

Mrs. A. O. Allison, president; Miss Annie Walker, vice president; Miss Lucile Putnam, secretary; Miss Maggie Lou Martin, assistant secretary; Mrs. Lucile Moore, treasurer; Mrs. R. B. Thompson, teacher; Mrs. Annie Jones, assistant teacher.

The Philathea class has been doing some splendid work for the past six months and hopes to accomplish greater things in the future. We believe every Sunday School should have a Baraca and Philathea class. It trains our young people for better service in church work generally. A cordial invitation to attend our class is extended to the young girls of our community.

Miss Lucile Putnam,
Secretary.

For summer diarrhoea in children always give Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and castor oil, and a speedy cure is certain. For sale by all dealers.

A Horrible Example.

When the Hon. Champ Clark last visited Georgia he was much amused by the sad case of an aged colored man as set forth by the negro's wife.

It appears that Mr. Clark was walking along the main street of a town in that state when he came upon an old couple. The man was staggering, and the woman was berating him severely.

"You are evidently of the opinion that a negro is not good for your husband," the representative ventured to remark to the old negroess.

"Ain't good for him?" retorted the old woman. "Of co'se it ain't good for him. It ain't good for nobody. Why, suh, old Joe heah he's 90 years old, an' done drink liquor all his life. Now look at him! Ef he had let dat stuff alone he mighter been a hundred years old this time!"

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Lisbon Locals.

Lisbon, July 21.—We feel very refreshed since we had a delightful rain this afternoon. Last Sunday night we had a very fine rain, before which we had a few showers that helped very much, and the crops commenced to improve very fast. Now the outlook is very flattering for a fairly good cotton crop. The old corn has come out beyond the expectations of every one, and if the seasons continue we look forward to a three-quarter crop of early planting. The cotton has come up on the red places in the last week. The farmers are working it out but you can't tell what the result will be, however that all depends. All the stubble has been sown in peas, and we hope to make plenty of forage after all. Some of us have some of the finest fruit we have ever had the pleasure to enjoy and you Mr. Editor can drive down any afternoon and help yourself. We planted melons in March, but the dry weather came very near drying them up, but with nitrate of soda we kept them alive until the rains com-

menced, and we feel confident that we will have a fine late patch.

Rev. Mr. Hollingsworth assisted by Mr. Rosenberg is carrying on a protracted meeting at this place.

Messrs. Henry and Llewellyn Milam are in the mountains for the summer.

Mrs. E. K. Ballew and children of Blacksburg, and Mrs. Ella Hudgens and grandchildren of Spartanburg have been visiting Mrs. J. T. A. Ballew.

Mrs. Lillie Bowers and children of Americus, Georgia are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Smith. Mrs. Moles and Miss Eliza May Sullivan of Mountville have returned home after visiting relatives at this place.

Miss Francis Smith has returned home after the close of her school.

A good crowd went over to Waterloo to take in the barbecue today and to see the Clemson-Winthrop exhibit.

From what we can learn Mr. A. J. Smith will be in the race for the upper or lower house of representatives next year.

Mrs. Estelle Whisnant and her niece Miss Estelle Fouche of Parks and Coronado, were the guests of Mrs. Ballew recently.

Messrs. Clifton and Jack Sullivan

of Mountville are visiting the Milam boys.

NEW COUNTY FORMED.

Jasper County, Originally Part of Beaufort and Hampton Counties.

Ridgeland, S. C., July 20.—Jasper county was placed on the map of South Carolina today by a vote of 283 to 24, or 12 to 1. In the race for the county seat, Ridgeland won over Gillisonville by a vote of 235 to 61.

The territory involved contains 627 square miles and is taken from Hampton and Beaufort counties.

Hot Weather Hurts the Skin.

Poisonous perspiration causes rashes, hives, blotches, pimples and prickly heat, often the beginning of serious skin troubles.

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DECLINES CHAUTAUQUA OFFER.

Governor Blease Turns Down a Tempting Proposition.

Governor Blease declined Wednesday an offer of an engagement from a chautauqua bureau for a series of lectures. "They hold out pretty good inducements," said the governor, as he signed his letter of refusal; "they are willing to pay \$150 for a Sunday lecture. Governor Blease said he was too busy with official duties to consider any lecture tour.—Columbia Record.

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